

Soldiers' families brace for war

By JOHN BROOKS
Managing Editor

Family members of Hereford soldiers stationed in the Persian Gulf were waiting, and hoping, and praying today as the world teetered on the brink of war. Charlotte Skaggs' son, Sgt. Edward Allen Skaggs, is ready to get everything over with. "I'm sick, a nervous wreck," she said in a telephone interview this morning. Her son was in the service four years, got out and joined the reserves. Soon after, he contracted cancer, but overcame that and is in Saudi Arabia.

"They called his back a week and a half before Christmas," Mrs. Skaggs said. "He pulled through the cancer, and he can pull through this, too." "We need to either do it (begin fighting) or quit, don't keep dragging it out. The not knowing is what is hurting." Sue Curtis supports her son, Jimmy Curtis, in Saudi Arabia, but doesn't support all of the decisions made that could plunge this country into war. She is afraid that the United States may be committing almost a half-million troops to keep cheap oil prices.

"Let them have Kuwait and turn all of our technology loose on energy," Mrs. Curtis said. "Oil bought with blood will not make us prosperous." Mrs. Curtis is concerned not just about her son but about all of the troops in the Persian Gulf region. "I see the faces of these babies on television, and 95 percent of them had not taken a plane flight until they flew to basic training, 95 percent of them had never been out of the United States until they went to Saudi Arabia,

and 98 percent of them have never been to Disney World. ...I want my boy home in one piece, and I don't care if gas is \$10 a gallon." Mrs. Curtis feels that President Bush and Iraqi President Saddam Hussein have been the victims of bad information from their aides. "I wish I could say I support President Bush (on his policy)," Curtis said. "If the United States were being invaded, if troops were at our borders, I'd send my son, I'd send my daughter, I'd send myself.

"I watch television and I see these 19-year-olds say they're going to kick butt, but they haven't seen war before. ...My son is well trained and taught well, but I'm not sure they have taught him how to survive in war. He needs to be playing basketball and enjoying life. These boys haven't begun to live, and I'm not sure I'm supportive of that. ...I want my red-headed, freckle-faced boy home in one piece."



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President leaves peace door open

By CHRISTOPHER BURNS
Associated Press Writer

The Arabian desert was tensely silent as the U.N. deadline for an Iraqi pullout from Kuwait passed this morning, with more than 1 million soldiers faced off for battle after last-ditch attempts to head off war failed.

In Iraq, Saddam Hussein assured his troops in a radio broadcast an hour before the deadline passed that they were ready to fight and said he would not bargain over Iraq's rights.

Later, Baghdad radio gave civil defense instructions for air raids and the speaker of Iraq's legislature said Saddam, already de facto military commander, would "from now on direct the battle."

Shortly after the midnight EST deadline, the Bush administration gave no indication it intended to attack immediately, preserving the element of surprise and leaving the door ajar for Saddam to back down.

"Jan. 15 was a day for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait. It was not a deadline for U.N. action. The choice for peace remains with Saddam Hussein," said a statement released by the White House just after midnight.

President Bush was said to be asleep at zero hour, although about 1,500 anti-war protesters shouted and banged drums outside the White House.

Daylight had already broken over the Arabian desert, where machinery capable of immense destruction stood at the ready and tense soldiers penned last wills and checked their weapons. "I just want to get it over with," said Staff Sgt. Brandon Jay, 27, of Pittsburgh, Pa., a transportation crew chief.

The first expected stage of a U.S.-led attack would be an aerial bombardment, taking advantage of superior night-fighting technology. The allies' estimated 2,000 military aircraft outnumber Iraq's warplanes 3-to-1.

U.S. soldiers who dominate the 635,000-strong multinational force said they were ready for battle, tired of months of waiting.

The 415,000 American service members in the region represent the largest U.S. deployment since the Vietnam War. The accompanying American armada, built around six aircraft carriers and their 450 attack jets, is the largest assembled since World War II.

In Baghdad, soldiers stood behind anti-aircraft batteries as thousands of Popular Army militiamen roamed the city with AK-47 rifles.

"This will not be a picnic war for the Americans," said one militiaman.

But while morning rush traffic was unusually light around Baghdad, more and more residents were fleeing the city of 3.8 million and most shops were closed.

After fruitless efforts at the United Nations to forge a last-ditch agreement, U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar on Tuesday night pleaded with Iraq to quit Kuwait and offered an incentive.

"With the resolution of the present crisis, every effort will be made to address, in a comprehensive manner, the Arab-Israeli conflict, including the Palestinian question," he said.

Saddam has demanded talks toward establishing a Palestinian state, which Bush has adamantly refused although allies such as France that have contributed forces to the U.S.-led coalition have pushed for such linkage.

Gloomy diplomats said no further Security Council action was contemplated and that war appeared all but inevitable.

"It's one of the hardest nights" of my career, said Kuwait's U.N. ambassador, Mohammed Abul Hassan, "because my beloved nation, family, countrymen are subjected to the possibility of annihilation by the Iraqis."

In Israel, which Saddam has threatened to attack if war breaks out, the government ordered all schools closed until Sunday but urged calm. The army says it can retaliate within an hour if necessary.

Israel is within range of Iraqi missiles and, fearing the chemical attack Saddam has threatened, has handed out gas masks.

Producers hear chemical message

By JOHN BROOKS
Managing Editor

Extension Service specialists preached to the choir about pesticide safety Tuesday at the annual West Texas Vegetable Conference at the Hereford Community Center.

The sermons were delivered by Dr. Roland Roberts and Tony Pardo. They preached because, as Roberts said, farmers, growers and shippers "can tell consumers the truth, starting now..."

"Vegetable growers in every growing region across this land can be educators if they will learn scientific truth and speak out to clearly impress students and media representatives with the truth," Roberts said. "They apply chemicals to protect their crops legally and only when insects, diseases and weeds threaten to destroy their crops. The risk of human poisoning from any chemical substance depends on concentration, not merely detection of that substance in a food."

Roberts and Pardo pointed out that bacteria contamination of food is the real cause of nearly all food poisoning illness. They also pointed out through several examples that many foods have naturally-occurring carcinogens that are much more potentially lethal than any traces of chemicals in the food.

"The risk of developing cancer from eating apples from trees sprayed with Alar is lower than the risk of developing cancer from drinking ordinary tap water," Roberts said.

Roberts used a slide with the menu of a typical holiday dinner, including turkey, dressing, sweet potatoes, mashed potatoes, gravy, several desserts and rolls. The menu was laden with potentially lethal, naturally occurring, microorganisms.

"The public needs to understand that when we use chemicals in our operations it is a matter of life or death," Roberts said. "It's a matter of life or death for crops just like we inoculate our children against diseases that can kill us."

Roberts also said that chemicals used on crops are changed into non-toxic substances by exposure to sunlight and air, and a very minute amount is left. That small part is measured in parts per billion: a part per billion would be one teaspoon of sugar in 1.3 million gallons of coffee, or one second in 32 years.

Pardo gave a quick review of chemical safety practices that all persons that apply any type of agricultural chemicals must know before they are given a license to use the chemicals. He pointed out that all farm chemical-related deaths since 1982 have occurred before the foods entered the marketplace. Almost all of them have occurred in manufacturing the chemicals.

He also spoke on the "chemophobia" that many persons have: a fear that chemicals may harm them, so they are against their use.

"Many stories appeal to emotion, not common sense," Pardo said. "Chemophobia hits regulatory bodies, consumers and others. ...We must continue our part in keeping food the safest and most abundant, helping protect our water and environment, and using our chemicals safely and properly."

Other speakers touched on research being done in many areas to control disease, and each stressed that



DR. ROLAND ROBERTS

chemicals are being less depended-upon while other pest management practices are used. Others told how efficient use of chemicals can help control diseases that afflict crops.

The almost-200 growers, shippers and packers from across West Texas also learned of research into new varieties of potatoes better suited for West Texas.

DSGH board reviews '90 audit

BY SPEEDY NIEMAN
Publisher-Editor

Trustees of Deaf Smith County Hospital District reviewed the 1990 audit report during a regular monthly meeting Tuesday night. The board also heard the administrator's report, reviewed the financial statement for December, and assured a concerned citizen that the hospital had no intention of closing.

The audit report, presented by Donna West of Brown, Graham & Co., showed gross patient service revenue of \$7,702,274 for the fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1990. Subtracting contractual adjustments for third-party reimbursement programs (\$1,363,367) and uncollectible accounts and charity allowances of \$881,991, the net patient service revenue was \$5,456,916.

The statement of revenue and expense reflected operating expenses of \$6,004,587 and a loss of income from operations of \$489,525. Tax revenue and other non-operating funds left a gain of \$169,744 for the year.

Hospital administrator Gary Moore reported that two family practice physicians will be interviewing here

the next two weeks. One physician who had scheduled an interview earlier had called and cancelled. Moore also announced that plans were underway to initiate a "swing bed" program at the hospital. This program, primarily for patients needing care between hospital and nursing home stays, could shift some costs and increase revenue, explained Moore.

The operations report for December showed a loss of \$63,572 with revenues and expenses both reflecting big decreases from a year ago. Phillis Morrison, hospital comptroller, reported a gain of \$435,521 for the three months ending Dec. 31.

Total patients admitted in December was 137, compared to 212 a year previous. The average daily census was 13.9 as compared to 21.6, and the average percentage of occupancy was 34.8 compared to 54.1 a year ago.

Moore also reported to the board that Dr. Dennis Finley, orthopedic surgeon, had terminated his practice and had repaid the hospital \$38,410 in physician guarantee funds which had been advanced. Moore said Dr.

Finley gave "lack of referrals" as a primary reason for leaving.

Jim McMorris, a Hereford independent appraiser, appeared at the board meeting, saying he was "greatly concerned" about the operation of the hospital and asked several questions of trustees. He told trustees there was a rumor that the hospital would close in April, and that many citizens were concerned about the turnover of doctors and the taxes needed to support the hospital.

Raymond Schroeder, board chairman, stated that the hospital had no intentions of closing "anytime." Trustee Ralph Dettin pointed out that the board had "just reviewed the audit report" and it didn't indicate a danger of closing. Morrison pointed out that the board is trying to recruit family physicians, which could help hospital operations to a great extent.

McMorris said he felt the "turnover of doctors indicates that something is wrong...and the word is out, making it difficult to recruit doctors here." He added that it was hard to understand why doctors would leave when they know they "were netting a minimum of \$287,000 a year."

Dr. Roger Billig, who attended the meeting, responded by saying that "those figures don't jibe...if the doctors were netting that much, it seems to me the hospital's revenue would have been much higher."

Dr. Robert Bidwell, also present for the meeting, said the recruitment of family physicians and better public relations would solve much of the problem. Moore added that the number of indigents cared by the hospital, the emergency room load, and the fact that 30 percent of local citizens don't have health insurance all create problems in recruiting.

"Until we locate at least two family physicians who will utilize the hospital and make referrals to local specialists, we will have a problem," said Moore.

The board held an executive session, beginning about 9:30 p.m., for the annual evaluation of the administrator. No action was taken after the session ended about 10:30 p.m.

Board members attending the meeting were Schroeder, Dettin, Craig Smith, Dr. Stan Fry Jr., John Perrin and Boyd Foster. Absent was Dr. A.T. Mims.

Richards sworn in as governor

AUSTIN (AP) - Gov. Ann Richards says her administration will be unlike any that have come before.

Speaking to an inauguration crowd estimated by authorities at 15,000 to 20,000, the Democrat said her term would be one for the history books.

"Today, the historians will record that a new administration, different from any in the past, began," she said after being sworn in Tuesday as the first woman governor since Miriam "Ma" Ferguson took the oath on Jan. 17, 1933.

"Twenty or 50 or 100 years from now, school children are going to open their textbooks - or perhaps switch on their video texts - and they are going to see a picture. They will see us standing proudly on this bright winter noon."

Her inauguration as Texas' 45th governor followed an early morning prayer service for U.S. troops in the Persian Gulf and a "People's March" in which Richards led several thousand supporters in a 12-block walk through downtown Austin to the Capitol.

Frequently interrupted by cheers and applause, Richards sounded the "New Texas" theme she used to launch her campaign in June 1989.

"The people of Texas are back, and they're waiting and they're watching us," Richards said.

"Today, we have a vision of a Texas where opportunity knows no race, no gender, no color - a glimpse of the possibilities that can happen in government if we simply open the doors and let the people in. Tomorrow, we have to build that Texas."

Richards, who made reform of government ethics a cornerstone of her campaign against Republican Clayton Williams, also renewed her pledge to clean up government.



RICHARDS

She said state officials must act in a manner "where every decision is measured against the high standard of ethics and true commitment to the public trust."

Under a clear sky, Richards took the oath of office shortly after noon. It was administered by Texas Supreme Court Chief Justice Tom Phillips. Representatives of 35 foreign countries and the four Mexican states which border the United States also attended, officials said.

Also sworn in was Democrat Bob Bullock, 61, who became lieutenant governor, succeeding 18-year veteran Bill Hobby. "We must set state government on a new financial course," Bullock said.

As he left the Capitol, outgoing Gov. Bill Clements said, "Well, it's goodbye and thank you very much." The Republican served two four-year terms since 1979, making him the longest-serving governor in Texas history.

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THURSDAY-Baked ham, broccoli and rice casserole, whole kernel corn, carrot and raisins salad, pistachio delight, homemade bread.

FRIDAY-Baked fish, calico macaroni, green beans, creamy coleslaw, chilled peras, homemade bread.

MONDAY-Polish sausage and kraut, oven broiled potatoes, fried okra, garden salad, apple pie, roll.

TUESDAY-Pot roast, chunky potatoes, onions and carrots, green beans, sliced tomato, berry cobbler alamo de, roll.

WEDNESDAY-Barbeque chicken, potato salad, pinto beans, coleslaw, fruit cup, Texas toast.

ACTIVITIES

THURSDAY-Oil painting 9-11 a.m. and 1 p.m., choir 1 p.m.

FRIDAY-Line dance 10 a.m. and 1:15 p.m.

MONDAY-Line dance 10 a.m. and 1:15 p.m., devotional 12:45 p.m.

TUESDAY-Stretch and flexibility 10-10:45 a.m. and bowling 1:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY-Stretch and flexibility 10-10:45 a.m., ceramics 1:30 p.m.

Volkman presents program

The Hereford Retired School Employees Association met Monday at the Hereford Senior Citizens Center for lunch, a business meeting and a program.

During the business meeting, the group adopted their by-laws after reading and discussing the proposed document.

The program was presented by Betty Volkman, Community Services Committee chairman. Those participating in the program were Audry Powell, Leona Schilling, Mary Dziuk, Gladys Setliff, and Leta Kaul. Powell told of her involvement with the Senior Center and of the activities available to its members. Schilling told of her involvement with St. Anthony's Hospital Hospice program, and Dzuik, Setliff and Kaul discussed their work with the local adult literacy program.

There were approximately 50 members and guests present.

Membership is open to any retired school employee. The group meets the second Monday of every month during the school year except December.

Students receive honors

Amarillo College recently named three Hereford students to the scholastic honors list for Fall 1990.

Honorees must achieve a 3.4 or higher grade point average (GPA) and be enrolled in a minimum of 12 semester hours.

Hereford students named to the honor list include Linda Davis, legal secretary major, 4.0 GPA; Deana Ramirez, vocational nursing, 4.0 GPA; and Elmer Kimball, commercial electronics major.

The first Continental Congress assembled in Philadelphia in 1774.

Parents can help revise child care standards

Many Texas families spend at least 20 percent of their annual income on child care. But parents now can contribute another valuable asset -- advice -- to revising the state's minimum standards for child care facilities, according to a family life specialist.

"Now is the time for concerned parents to speak out and join care providers in setting standards for facilities in Texas," said Diane Welch with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. "More than 370,000 children currently attend 7,000 licensed child care centers in the state, and the kind of care they're receiving cannot be left to chance."

The Texas Department of Human Services, which currently is revising the minimum standards for licensed child care facilities, is soliciting comments and suggestions, she said. The licensing department regulates the establishments to help protect the health, safety and well-being of children.

"We revise the standards about every six years, and we're making an assertive effort to get input," said Doug Sanders, the department's licensing section leader in Austin. "We want to stimulate involvement at the grass roots, let people know what standards exist and discuss recommendations."

Minimum standards relate to staff/child ratios, training requirements for a staff, space allocations for care programs, requirements for safety, nutrition and child care supervision. Facilities are classified under nursery, private kindergarten, day care, group home and drop-in care, depending on the number and age of children and the amount of care time involved.

Parents of children in school-aged care also can give input, said Dr. Sarah Anderson, Extension Service family life specialist. "We hope that part of the new standards are clearly written with the acceptance of school-aged children in care because the same rules for younger kids don't always apply to older ones."

Minimum standards are the same for children from birth to 12 years old, she said. However, the rule that calls for visual supervision of children at all times is appropriate for a 3-year-old but not for a 10-year-old who can do things like walking down the hall to the rest room alone, for example.

One approach being used to inform people about current standards is a series of public forums where individuals can give suggestions for enhancing quality care for children, Welch said. Local child care licensing offices have more information on these meetings.

Suggestions also can be mailed to the Texas Department of Human Services W-403, P.O. Box 149030,

Austin, Texas, 78714-9030, or to local licensing branches.

"Parents are a vital part of this process," said Kathy Hudgens, director of Kathy's Kids in College Station. "Parents should be just as much a checking system as government agencies, because they visit the care facilities daily, and every day is a very good monitor."

Hudgens believes that the existing standards provide a good foundation.

"There's already a good base. The only thing that could be done is to increase the minimum standards," she said.

People often feel left out when it comes to government rules and standards, Welch said. She urges parents to "exercise their consumer and parental responsibilities by learning more about minimum standards and what parents can do to help improve the safety and health of their children."

Messer presents program

Mary Beth Messer read "Drinking From My Saucer" as her opening exercise during the recent meeting of Draper Extension Homemakers Club.

Members repeated the T.E.H.A. prayer and recited the pledges to the United States and Texas flags. Roll call was answered by members with "how do you get motivated?"

The hostess gave a report on a Chinese Shar-pei dog.

During the business meeting, members selected Messer for nominee "Woman of the Year" for District I.

Members were reminded that the club fees were due and brought their yearbooks up-to-date. They exchanged delayed Christmas gifts and revealed secret pals.

The next meeting will be held in the home of Sherrie Blackwell with a Valentine exchange on Feb. 12.

Members present were Johnnie Messer, Blackwell, Joanne Blackwell, Tonic Vaughn, Messer, and Carmen Rickman.



Concert planned Sunday

Members of the Hereford Community Concert Association will present the big band sound of the Jimmy Dorsey Orchestra in concert at 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 20, in the Hereford High School auditorium. During intermission, members of the Concerteers will be presented. They will also be honored at a reception following the concert. Publicizing Sunday's concert are Concerteen members, from left, Trisha Munoz, D'Ann Hill, Donna Grotegut and Kari Malamen. The public is invited to join the local CCA during its annual membership drive slated in the spring.



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SPORTS

Games go on in spite of threat of war

By JIM LITKE
AP Sports Writer

They found reasons or excuses or inspiration to play because that is what they have always done. And, like always, others came to watch.

President Franklin Delano Roosevelt asked major league baseball to go on playing during World War II. Though then-commissioner Pete Rozelle later regretted the decision, the NFL played football the weekend after John F. Kennedy was assassinated while riding through downtown Dallas. The NCAA finished its college basketball tournament within hours after Ronald Reagan was shot walking to his car in Washington.

And so did the games go on Tuesday, even as the shadow of war lengthened.

On the north side of Chicago, Sullivan High had just beaten Senn in the latest renewal of a basketball rivalry between public schools that began decades ago.

It was started by the children of immigrants from different parts of Europe, but it has come to mean just as much to the young blacks who have taken their places and whose roots trace back to the American South.

"There were other years when I might have used the word 'war' in a pre-game talk to get the kids going," coach Mark Moskowitz said. "But it just didn't seem to make much sense today."

Still, their coach wasn't surprised that the prospect of war a short time and half a world away did not dull their ferocious, teen-age appetite for the game. Because with little prompting, several could recount how a friend or a relative was shot on a street corner within shouting distance of home. And they went on after that, too.

"I guess they were a little more jumpy than usual - you're looking at kids who are draft-aged, or are about to be, in a hurry," Moskowitz said.

"But I never had any doubts whether they'd be ready to play."

"These kids already know something about fighting ... about wars between gangs. A few of them ride the bus an hour-and-a-half from the west side to get here every day - going to a good school means that much to them. And basketball," he said, "probably means that much and more."

Sixteen-year-old Robert Duncan buried a brother after a gang shooting almost exactly one year ago. Several weeks earlier, he welcomed another brother back from duty in the Persian Gulf, where a cousin remains.

On Tuesday, the 6-foot-6, 16-year-old junior forward finished with just eight points, but his rebound and putback basket after a missed free throw late in the third quarter sent Sullivan steaming down the road to victory and brought down the house.

"I was nervous before the game, but I didn't have any problems once it started. I know what's going on over there is dangerous. And I think there'll be fighting," Duncan said. "But life is supposed to go on."

The same sentiment was echoed from East Coast to West and at several points in-between, by people who had family at risk and those who decried or defended the almost-certain war murmuring in the distance. Rarely were the moments of silence that preceded the game so poignant nor the national anthem that followed them sung so loudly.

In Columbia, Mo., university officials got a call from some Army reservists asking for tickets to the Oklahoma-Missouri game.

"They're shipping out to Fort Campbell, Ky., at 6 a.m. in the morning and from there to the Persian Gulf," said assistant athletic director Joe Castiglione.

"They said the only thing they wanted to see before they left was Missouri beat Oklahoma, so we got them in."



State trap shooters

Members of the Deaf Smith County 4-H trap shooting team display plaques and patches from the recent State 4-H Trap Tournament. Shown are (front, from left) Don Metcalf, Shawn Sciumbato, Cameron Betzen, (back, from left) Martin Camahan, Todd Reinart and Audy Sciumbato.

Ryan to face Ryan in Rangers-UT tilt

AUSTIN (AP) - The Texas Rangers will face the University of Texas in an exhibition game April 2, and the scheduled pitchers are Nolan Ryan and his son, Reid Ryan, an 18-year-old freshman for the Longhorns.

"It should be a great matchup for the fans and for the Ryan family," said Rangers general manager Tom Grieve.

Nolan Ryan, the major leagues' all-time strikeout leader, said he was "looking forward to pitching in Austin against Texas and for the chance to pitch against Reid for the first time."

It will be the third time that the Rangers have played the Longhorns in Austin. The Rangers won both

previous meetings, 9-4 in 1977 and 7-2 in 1978.

Reid Ryan won all-district honors as a senior at Alvin (Texas) High School, but Longhorns coach Cliff Gustafson said, "I hope folks won't jump out there and compare him with his dad right away. Fact is, that wouldn't be fair to anybody."

The Rangers will send a split squad to Austin for the game. They also have a game with the Chicago White Sox at Sarasota, Fla., on April 2.

"Winning is not the important thing in a game like this," Gustafson said. "It is just a great opportunity for our players, and for our fans, to face major leaguers and one of the greatest pitchers in baseball history."

Garrison, Graf take wins at Australian Open

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) - Zina Garrison used the resilience of a Grand Slam veteran to hold off a strong challenge from a young Japanese player and advance to the third round of the Australian Open.

Garrison, runner-up at Wimbledon last summer and an Australian Open quarterfinalist or better five times, won the last five games of the match at the loss of just seven points and beat Nana Miyagi 2-6, 6-0, 6-2.

Miyagi won the last six games of the first set, but did not hold serve from there on against the women's eighth seed. The world's 112th-ranked player was plagued by errors on her two-handed groundstrokes and fell quickly after her impressive start on center court as Garrison slowly got her game in gear.

"I'm still learning to play on this surface," Garrison said. "You can't attack all the time. You have to pick your moment, have patience and good groundstrokes."

The match was one of few highlights on the tournament's third day, when doubles filled the outside courts and the showcourts for the most part were turned over to unseeded Australians.

It also was a day on which Steffi Graf pushed the bad memories of 1990 farther into the past.

On an outside court buffeted by winds as her life and reign as No. 1 in women's tennis were socked by family problems and rising stars in the last 12 months, Graf destroyed Maya Kidowaki of Japan to reach the third round of the Australian Open Wednesday.

The troubles of the past seemed far away. Graf needed just 41 minutes to complete the match 6-1, 6-0, lost only 10 points in the second set and got some more practice with the topspin backhand she's added to her repertoire. She now has lost a total of four games in her first two matches.

But it was the idea that this could be the start of something better, that the plague of 1990 could be turning into another bountiful year, that appealed most to the 21-year-old German.

"It is difficult to forget a whole year," Graf said. "There is nothing I want to forget - well, a few things. But it has happened and I cannot put it out of my past. I try to learn from it."

There have been plenty of lessons. Her family has been jolted by allegations of an affair between her father, Peter, and a topless model.

After winning her third consecutive Australian Open last January and taking a tournament in Tokyo, she returned to Europe and promptly broke her thumb while trying to escape from photographers on a ski run.

When she returned to action, she found that a pack of teenage players led by Monica Seles was nipping at her heels, and all too often that once-unreturnable forehead came flying back at her. She failed to win another Grand Slam title.

Seles won 6-0, 6-0 in 37 minutes over German Sabine Hack Tuesday night.

Boris Becker, the men's second seed, won 10 games in a row in the second and third sets to beat Marian Vajda of Czechoslovakia 6-4, 6-1, 6-3.

The match, the last of the day session on the main court, was played before a sparse but noisy crowd that included chirping birds, a crying baby and a woman in a court-side seat who apparently had too much to drink and heckled the German star throughout. She exposed her breasts just before she was escorted out of the stadium by ushers, drawing whistles from the crowd and a smile from Becker.

"She was funny. She had a beer too many and had a good time," Becker said.

Hogs' Miller draws varied reactions

By WENDELL BARNHOUSE
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) - Considering his statistics and his ability to dominate, Oliver Miller is one player Arkansas' opponents fear. Fans around the Southwest Conference no doubt feel another emotion when they watch Miller play: hate.

The Fort Worth Southwest High School graduate, who faced a home crowd against in the Razorbacks' 93-73 victory over TCU Tuesday night, is a magnet for comments - both positive and negative.

A 6-foot-9, (estimated) 280-pound junior, Miller is Arkansas' (epi-) center. When opposing fans boo, hiss, jeer and otherwise vilify Miller, he often is not an innocent victim. His personable playing style makes him a large moving target.

"He's a big, ol' heavyset kid who's jolly," Arkansas coach Nolan Richardson said. "And he enjoys the game more than anybody. He likes the crowd to get in the game."

Miller's detractors label him a hot dog, a showboat. When he pumps his arm Arsenio Hall-fashion to bring a few more decibels from the Fayetteville faithful, he often stirs the emotions of others. Oklahoma coach Billy Tubbs didn't particularly appreciate Miller's cheerleading near the end of Arkansas' pre-season NIT victory in November.

"I like to kid around with a lot of people," Miller said. "I feel if I can dish it out, I can take it, too."

Miller has been dishing more than taking this season. He has been averaging 13.8 points, 8.4 rebounds and 3.6 blocks per game. He leads the SWC in shooting percentage and blocked shots.

Still, despite what are without question impressive numbers, Miller's personality and pizzazz receive most of the attention.

"I think that teams and fans tease me and try to take me out of my game," Miller said. "But I really like it. It gets me pumped up and makes me play harder. Once they (other players) see it doesn't bother me, they joke around with me or leave it alone."

Miller doesn't think it can get any worse than what he and his teammates experienced Dec. 8 in Columbia, Mo. Before their game with the Missouri Tigers, the Razorbacks - and Miller especially - were taunted by The Antlers, a group of Missouri students who love to razz the opposition.

"They practically crucified the kid," Richardson said. "They got after him when we were getting off the bus. At the end of the game (a 95-82 Arkansas victory) he looked at those guys and just pointed to the scoreboard."

Miller's detractors will say that is the equivalent of taunting. One of the points of emphasis for SWC officials this year involves finger pointing and trash talk.

"A lot of referees come to me and tell me to watch what I say, so I don't say as much as I used to say on the floor," Miller said. "I can't say whether (the new rules) are fair or not. What's in the rule book is in the rule book. I can't change that. And victory in November."

it's my last year in the Southwest Conference, so I really don't care what they change."

When he's asked if he's a "hot dog" or a "showboat," Miller is firm with his denial.

Texas Tech sophomore Will Flemons knows Miller, who scored a career-high 27 against the Red Raiders on Saturday, from their participation in Texas all-star games during their high school careers. He said there's nothing wrong with Miller's enthusiasm.

"He's doing that to fire up his team and to fire up the crowd," Flemons said. "He's a pretty nice guy. He's a fun person to play. He gives you 100 percent. You keep coming, he keeps coming. I really admire him for that. I think he plays the right style of ball."

With a No. 2 ranking and a gaudy 16-1 record, the Razorbacks rely on Miller more than ever. Most of the coaches of teams that have lost to

Arkansas point to Miller as the key ingredient. His wide body and long arms provide the rebounding and inside defensive ballast to the Razorbacks' endless supply of sleek seek-and-destroy perimeter players.

Miller's official weight causes frequent speculation. Although he is no threat to Arnold Schwarzenegger, he is no longer the Pillsbury Doughboy, either. Hard work in the weight room has improved Miller's muscle tone, jumping ability and endurance.

"It feels pretty good. But I still feel I need to lose a few pounds," Miller said.

"He's firmed up more," Richardson said. "He's bigger, he's a massive man. For a big man, he can run. But this year, he's doing it more often."

Against Texas last Thursday and against Texas Tech, Miller displayed his mobility by beating the other team's big men down the floor and finishing

off an Arkansas fast break with an earth-moving slam dunk.

In Arkansas' half-court offense, Miller provides an inside option. Few players by themselves can match Miller's size and reach. Faced with multiple defenders, Miller is adept (he's third on the team with 26 assists) at finding the open man.

For all of his talents, Miller at times has talked or played himself into the southern reaches of the box score. Against Rice's 6-10 Brent Scott, he had nine points and five rebounds. Against Houston's 7-1 Alvaro Teheran, Miller had six points and four rebounds.

During Arkansas' only loss - to Arizona in the Pre-season NIT championship game - Miller contributed to the Razorbacks' second-half pratfall by getting in foul trouble and then picking up a technical for good measure.

In the next game (against Mississippi College), Miller didn't play in the first

half. Richardson knows how to punish his big man.

"He doesn't like to sit down much," Richardson said.

Richardson was teaching a lesson. Miller said he's learning.

"I just have to keep my composure," he said. "I can't let everything get to me. I can't get tangled up with the referees or get tangled up with the opponents, taunting or pointing fingers. I have to keep my mouth closed."

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Bids will be received at the Superintendents office until January 21, 4:00 p.m. for one 1968, 1969, and 1975 Chev. Pick-Ups and one 1973 Dodge Van. These vehicles were used by Hereford ISD maintenance Dept. Call 364-0613 or see at the Bus Barn.

The Commissioners Court of Deaf Smith County will open bids for the purchase or lease of a copy machine for the county Clerk at 9 AM on January 28, 1991 in the Commissioners Courtroom. Specifications may be obtained at Alex Schroeter's Office at 242 E. 3rd Street, Hereford, Texas. The Commissioners reserve the right to reject any and all bids.



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Immunizations against childhood diseases, Texas Department of Health office, 914 E. Park, 9-11:30 a.m. and 1-4 p.m.
Al-Anon, 406 W. Fourth St., 8 p.m.
San Jose prayer group, 735 Brevard, 8 p.m.
Weight Watchers, Community Church, 6:30 p.m.
Kids Day Out, First United Methodist Church, 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.
Kiwanis Club, Community Center, noon.
TOPS Club No. 941, Community Center, 9 a.m.
Amateur Radio Operators, north biology building of high school, 7:30 p.m.
Story hour at library, 10 a.m.
Hereford Toastmasters Club, Ranch House, 6:30 a.m.
Bud to Blossom Garden Club, 9:30 a.m.
Elkette's, 8 p.m.
L'Allegre Study Club, 10 a.m.
Alpha Iota Mu Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority, 8 p.m.
North Hereford Extension Homemakers Club, 2:30 p.m.
Wyche Extension Homemakers Club, 2:30 p.m.
Bay View Study Club, 2 p.m.
Merry Mixers Square Dance Club, 8 p.m.
Red Cross uniformed volunteers, noon luncheon.
VFW, VFW clubhouse in Veterans Park, 7:30 p.m.
BPOE Lodge in Elks Hall, 8:30 p.m.
Hereford Study Club, 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY

Kiwanis Whiteface Breakfast Club, Caison House, 6:30 a.m.
Community Duplicate Bridge Club, Community Center, 7:30 p.m.
Nazarene Kids Korner, 1410 La Plata, 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.
Patriarchs Militant and Ladies Auxiliary, IOOF Hall, 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

Open gym for all teens, noon to 6 p.m. on Saturdays and 2-5 p.m. Sundays at First Church of the Nazarene.
AA, 406 W. Fourth St., 8 p.m. on Saturdays and 11 a.m. on Sundays.

MONDAY

AA meets Monday through Friday, 406 W. Fourth St., noon, 5:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. For more information call 364-9620.
Spanish speaking AA meetings each Monday, 406 W. Fourth St., 8 p.m.
Ladies exercise class, First Baptist Church Family Life Center, 7:30 p.m.
Odd Fellows Lodge, IOOF Hall, 7:30 p.m.
TOPS Chapter No. 1011, Community Center, 5:30-6:30 p.m.
Rotary Club, Community Center, noon.
Planned Parenthood Clinic, open Monday through Friday, 711 25 Mile Ave., 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.
Civil Air Patrol-U.S. Air Force Auxiliary, Community Center, 7 p.m.
Nazarene Kids Korner, 1410 La Plata, 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.
Order of Rainbow for Girls, Masonic Temple, 7:15 p.m.
Christian Women's Fellowship, First Christian Church, 7 p.m.
Deaf Smith County Genealogical Society, Deaf Smith County Library,

7 p.m.

Deaf Smith County Historical Museum: Regular museum hours Monday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday by appointment only.

TUESDAY

TOPS Chapter No. 576, Community Center, 9 a.m.
Kids Day Out, First United Methodist Church, 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.
St. Thomas 12-step recovery program, open to the public, 7:30-8:30 p.m. For more information call the church office at 364-0146.
Hereford Rebekah Lodge No. 228, IOOF Hall, 7:30 p.m.
Problem Pregnancy Center, 505 E. Park Ave., open Tuesday through Friday. Free and confidential pregnancy testing. Call 364-2027 or 364-7626 for appointment.

WEDNESDAY

Noon Lions Club, Community Center, noon.
Young at heart program, YMCA, 9 a.m. until noon.
Al-Anon, 406 W. Fourth St., 5 p.m.
Cultural Extension Homemakers Club, 2 p.m.

Cautions for protecting yourself against rape

Every year in the United States, more than 127,000 women are the victims of rape. One of the four major violent crimes ranking with robbery, assault, and homicide, rape can affect women of any age, race, and socioeconomic group.

Despite the prevalence and seriousness of this violent crime, many people don't face the reality of rape until a friend or family member has been attacked. It is important, however, to recognize that rape can happen to anyone, including you. To prevent rape, you should take steps to protect yourself at home and when alone.

Here are some things you can do to reduce your risk of rape:

Out-of-doors: Whenever possible, avoid walking or jogging alone, especially in unfamiliar places and after dark. Plan your route ahead of time, being careful to stay on well-lit and well-traveled walkways. Walk at a steady pace and act as if you know where you are going. If you are followed, head for open stores or restaurants or busy roads.

At home: Always lock doors and windows and use peep-holes to identify callers. Don't let anyone in unless you are sure of his business and have checked for proper identification. Hang curtains or blinds on all windows. Use initials rather than your first name for mailbox tags and telephone listings. It is also a good idea to get to know a neighbor who is familiar with your routine and whom you can trust in an emergency. Also, don't overlook the possibility of date-rape. Only invite in friends whom you know you can trust.

In your car: Lock your car doors at all times, even if you are only driving a short distance or leaving the car briefly. At night, park in well-lit areas as close as possible to your destination. Have your keys ready as you approach your car and look inside of and around your car for strangers. If you have car trouble, put your hood up, then stay in your car with the doors locked until the police arrive. It is risky to accept help from strangers.

Many communities offer rape prevention classes or lectures to provide women with personal safety tips to help minimize the risk of rape. Check with women's centers or local

service organizations to see if such classes are available in your area.

Don't wait until someone you know is involved in a rape to take the possibility of it happening to you seriously. Taking precautions to protect yourself against rape is something you won't regret.

Carlson serves as hostess

Betty Jo Carlson served as hostess when members of Lone Star Study Club met in her home recently.

"Show and Tell" was the program presented. Each member shared a moment or memory of some article that meant something to them. The final sharing was by Oneita Davidson, who modeled her wedding dress and brought the Bible given to her by Dr. Don Davidson when they married.

The February meeting will be held in the home of Mildred Fuhrmann.

Naomi Hare served as co-hostess to Davidson, Bertha Dettmann, Margaret Ann Durham, Fuhrmann, Wilma Goettsch, Hare, Ursalee Jacobsen, Bobbie Metcalf, Verna Sowell, Ruby Stevenson, Quintna Waits, Gladys Willoughby, Retta Ramp and Carlson.

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) - A federal judge ruled the rap group 2 Live Crew's satire of Roy Orbison's hit "Pretty Woman" did not infringe on the 1964 song's copyright.

U.S. District Thomas A. Wiseman rejected a lawsuit brought by Nashville's Acuff-Rose Music Inc. "2 Live Crew is an anti-establishment rap group," Wiseman said. "This song derisively demonstrates how bland and banal the Orbison song seems to them."

The Orbison classic depicts a pretty woman, "the kind I'd like to meet," while the rap version of the same name is about a "big, hairy, bald-headed, 'two-timin' woman" who "becomes akin to Cousin Itt, the ugly, bit character featured on the TV series 'The Addams Family,'" Wiseman ruled Monday.

Table with commodity prices for Schlabs Hysinger, including Cattle Futures, Grain Futures, Metal Futures, and Futures Options. Includes contact information for Richard Schlabs, Steve Hysinger, and Brenda Yosten.



Society donates books

Deaf Smith County Librarian Rebecca Walls, at right, accepts a gift of two books from Mildred Sheffy, president of the Deaf Smith County Genealogy Society. The *Wuerttemberg Emigration Index, Vol. I* by Trudy Schenk, Ruth Frocks and Inge Bork, and *Taschenbuch Fur Familiengeschichtsforschung* by Begrudent von F. Wecken are on genealogical research in Germany.

Public invited to workshop

The public is invited to attend a workshop sponsored by members of the Deaf Smith County Genealogy Society. The event, which will feature Sylvia Murray of Amarillo, will be held from 7:30-9 p.m. Monday, Jan. 21, at the Deaf Smith County Library.

Murray, an accredited genealogist will speak on "How To Research in the Carolinas." All interested individuals are urged to attend. To help defray the cost of handouts and Murray's expenses, a \$2 donation will be accepted.

The speaker has taught genealogy for 17 years on the college level, II of those at Amarillo College. She is the director of LDS libraries in Amarillo, Borger and Tucumcari, N.M. She also writes genealogy columns for area papers and conducts workshops and seminars throughout the Texas Panhandle. Murray is a well-known problem solver with a great sense of humor making her both instructional and entertaining.



Thomas Jefferson invented the dumbwaiter.

Ann Landers

DEAR ANN LANDERS: I would like to reply to "Baffled in Tulsa" whose husband said the reason he stayed with her all those years was because the sex was so good. My guess is her husband is going through his mid-life crisis and she doesn't know a compliment when she hears one.

When marriages go on the rocks, the rocks are usually in the mattress. The vast majority of husbands want more sex than they are getting. Studies show that men think about sex an average of six times an hour, which is about 750 times a week, not counting dreams. Compare that figure with this one: The average married couple has sex 1.5 times a week.

Have you ever heard of a man leaving his wife and family for another woman because she is a great cook or a fabulous housekeeper? Men leave their wives because they want more and better sex. Let's face it, "Tulsa" kept her husband because she is good in bed. She should be proud of herself and appreciate her

husband's frank, truthful compliment. It might be useful for her to seek out and talk to a woman who didn't think sex in marriage was that important and ask that woman how happy she is with her separation, divorce and singleness. "Tulsa" could then ask her how important the other things were on which she worked so hard. - Baffled in South Bend

DEAR BAFFLED: Thanks for a letter that reflects more truth than poetry. I couldn't have said it better myself.

DEAR ANN LANDERS: I am a 27-year-old single woman who has had the "honor" of being a bridesmaid in 10 weddings.

My friend "Jane" and I were close friends throughout high school and college, but over the years we lost track of one another.

Then one day she called with the exciting news that she was to be married and wanted me to be in the wedding party. I tried to get out of it gracefully, but she insisted.

After the conversation, Jane didn't get in touch with me again for four months, no phone calls, not even a Christmas card. Finally, she phoned to say she had picked out the bridesmaids' dresses. They were \$180 plus alterations. Before the wedding was over, my expenses also included shoes, shower, shower gift, and the wedding gift. Throughout all this, the only time I heard from Jane was to firm up details.

She ignored her bridesmaids at the rehearsal dinner and we barely spoke at the wedding. I haven't seen or heard from her since, not even a thank-you note.

What should I do with this expensive dress that I can't possibly wear anyplace else? -- Up To My Ears in Taffeta, Kingwood, Texas

DEAR KINGWOOD: Put it on, make a matching dunce cap and go sit in the corner.

Feeling pressured to have sex? How well-informed are you? Write for Ann Landers' booklet "Sex and the Teen-agers." Send a self-addressed, long, business-size envelope and a check or money order for \$3.65 (this includes postage and handling) to: Teens, c/o Ann Landers, P.O. Box 11562, Chicago, Ill. 60611-0562. (In Canada, send \$4.45.)

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